

r. Jules Favre to leave Paris to negoti

in Ameyette, the object being to authorize the National Convention to demand that France no longer considers herself bound by the respect of neutrality of the Luxembourg territory. Successful engagements are reported by the Government of the Netherlands to have cost 190 prisoners and two guns. The French Government has replied to the terms for Breda, but M. Gassiot (feared with the Army).

Russia and England decline the proposition made by the Government of the Netherlands for discussion at the conference of the Eastern Question. It is feared the discussion will lead to further complications in Europe.

Paris, December 12th. Council of war decided for Bonaparte to work for Germany on Eastern Question first.

Germany threatening Cherbourg. Garibaldi reported resigned his command and the organs of the Government.

The occupation of Havre is unconfirmed. French republic near Bône; suburbs occupied. French retreating, Orleans in pursuit.

COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, 1st December. The Dutch Consul at this rate 1864

bags sold at an average of 84 Florins.  
LONDON, 1st December, (Afternoon.)  
Reserve of Notes in the Bank of En-  
land                                 £18,062,500  
Total Bills discounted       £26,010,000  
Bullion in the Bank £22,187,500  
LONDON, 2nd December, (Afternoon.)  
There was a fair demand in Manchester to-  
day.  
7 lb. Shirlings, 7s. 10½d.  
40s Twist 12 d.  
LONDON, 3rd December, (Afternoon.)  
The Liverpool Cotton Market closed dis-  
pressed.

Orders for account 314.  
 Oriental Bank Shares 247.  
 Chartered Mercantile Shires 223-10.  
 LONDON, 8th Dec. Afternoon.  
 The Cotton Market is dull. Fair Westerns  
 64½. The Manchester Market quiet and  
 weaker. 7th, Shirting 7s. 10½.  
 LONDON, 7th Dec. Afternoon.  
 The Liverpool Cotton Market closed easy.  
 The sum of £291,000 was paid into the Bank  
 of England to-day.  
 LONDON, 8th Dec.  
 The Russian Question preserves a peaceful  
 aspect.  
 LONDON, 8th Dec. Afternoon.  
 The Liverpool Cotton Market closed dull. Be-  
 silver 67½.  
 England £13,500,000. Total Bullion £29,625,000.  
 Consols for account 62.  
 LONDON, 8th Dec. December, (Morning.)  
 Weight sales of cotton 71,000 bales.  
 Total stock of Cotton 379,000 do.  
 Fair Westerns 64½.  
 LONDON, 8th Dec. December, (Afternoon.)  
 American Cotton freely offered.  
 The Shirts 7s. Market is quiet, but stead-  
 7th, Shirting 7s. 9d.  
 60's Mule twist 12s.

In exchange there is little doing. Rates unchanged.

**Intimations.**

**THE** Undersigned, having this day entered into partnership as Merchants and Commission Agents, will conduct their business under the name and style of **NORTON LYALL & Co.**

**EDWARD NORTON.**  
**ROBERT LYALL.**

At **Hongkong**, 1st January, 1871.

**NOTICE.**

**M<sup>r</sup>** business, with effect from the future, be conducted under the style or firm of **HEYES GIBBLE & Co.**

**M<sup>r</sup>** **ERLH HOLME** is hereby authorized to sign the firm for prosecution.

**HENRY GIBBLE.**  
1st 2 Nagasaki, 1st January, 1871.

**NOTICE.**

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**HEAD OFFICE.**

**M<sup>r</sup>** **VICTOR KRESSER** having retired from the Chief Management of the Corporation, the undersigned has this day assumed charge.

By order of the Court of Directors,

**JAMES GRIGG,**  
*Acting Chief Manager*  
in 3 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1871.

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**HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

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**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

**I**N accordance with Paragraph No. 110 of the Articles of Association of this Company, the Half Yearly Interest at the rate of 12½ per annum on the paid up Capital is now due.

Warrants, payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Limited, are being issued to the Shareholders.

Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong,  
 can be obtained at the Offices of the Company  
 by Shareholders not already in receipt of  
 same.  
**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
*General Managers*  
 1st 4 Hongkong, 2nd January, 1871.

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NOTICE.  
**MR. DUNCAN DAVIDSON** is a partner  
 in our firm from this date.  
**BROWN & Co.**  
 5th 5 Amoy, 1st January, 1871.

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JUST LANDED AND FOR SALE.  
 FRESH CALIFORNIA OATS.

AT  
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.  
197 Hongkong, 19th December, 1870.

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**Notices to Consignees.**

NOTICE is hereby given to Consignees of Cargo, and others interested in the ship *Dummat*, that sailing operations have been concluded, and no further Goods will be delivered from said vessel.

GILMAN & Co.,  
Agents for F. THOMPSON, late Master

U 2266 Hongkong, 28th December, 1870.  
**BRITISH BARQUE MIRELLA, FROM**  
**LONDON**  
**C**ONSIGNNEES of Cargo by the above vessel  
are hereby requested to send in their  
Bills of Lading, for countersignature to the  
undersigned, and to take immediate delivery  
of their goods.  
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel  
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk  
and expense.  
**BOURJAU, HUBENER & Co.**  
t/ 2248 Hongkong 27th December, 1870.

**JOHN O'GAUNT, FROM LONDON.**  
**C**ONSIGNERS of Cargo by the above-named vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature to the undersigned, and take immediate delivery of their Goods.  
 Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.  
**G. OVERBECK,**  
 17 2334, Hongkong, 24th December, 1870.